



Did You Know?

Caretakers of the Marlette Water System used to ride through the flumes annually in a specially designed capsule in order to identify needed repairs.



Marlette Lake, 2008

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News of the plans, projects and people of the Carson River Watershed

Spring 2011

Welcome Aboard to Our New Directors!

A new year has begun, and we welcome CWSD's new board members:

Joe Ricci is a life-long Nevadan and rancher in Dayton Valley. He is also a board member of the Dayton Valley Conservation District. Director Ricci got firsthand experience with some of the work CWSD does in Dayton Valley when he led an ARRA crew. The crew he led cleared many acres of noxious weeds that created a fire danger in the river corridor. Director Ricci enjoys the variety of activities involved in ranching.



Joe Ricci

John McKenna is a long-time resident of Carson City and was recently elected as a Carson City supervisor. Director McKenna is no stranger to public service, having been a school board member for Carson City. Director McKenna is an accountant and local business owner who runs his own CPA



John McKenna

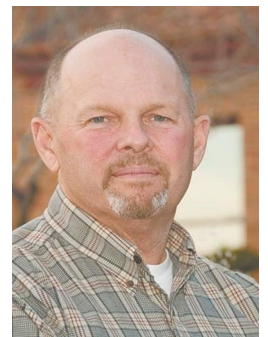
firm in Carson City. In his spare time, Director McKenna volunteers by trail building on the Tahoe Rim Trail.

A Carson City supervisor, Karen Abowd has lived in Carson City since 1981. Director Abowd is an active community member who gives generously of her time to a variety of organizations and projects that enhance Carson City. She is president and founder of "The Greenhouse Project" which is under construction. Director Abowd owns her own interior design business, in which she has been successful for nearly two decades. She also has diversified business experience as co-owner with her husband of Adele's Restaurant and Lounge in Carson City.



Karen Abowd

Pete Olsen comes to our board as a newly elected Churchill County Commissioner. Director Olsen has lived in Fallon for 38 years, and his family has lived in Nevada for five generations. He has run his family dairy business for the last 30 years. He also has extensive experience serving on local, regional and national dairy organization boards and in other organizations.



Pete Olsen

Welcome Aboard!

2011 Andy Aldax Carson River Watershed Award Winner

Congratulations to Debbi Waldear, the 2011 Andy Aldax Carson River Watershed Award recipient. Her exemplary service in conservation and protection of the Carson River watershed has been untiring. This award was created in 2007 to recognize individuals or organizations for significant contributions in promoting and achieving the Carson River Watershed Vision Statement (below).

Ms. Waldear was nominated for founding the Friends of Hope Valley, a group dedicated to the protection of Hope Valley for the sake of open space and recreation. Ms. Waldear has been a tireless volunteer as an active member of the Alpine Watershed Group and regularly participates in the citizen water quality monitoring and bio-assessment programs, as well as the CWSD "Get On the Bus" tours and other community outreach programs. We are grateful for her 20+ years of consistent, unpaid



Debbi Waldear receives her award from CWSD Board Chairman Doug Johnson and Director Andy Aldax.

service to her community and the Carson River watershed at large. The award was presented to Ms. Waldear at the CWSD Board meeting on Wednesday, January 19, 2011.

Carson River Watershed Vision Statement

To achieve healthy sustainable watersheds within the entire Carson River Basin; to achieve improved watershed conditions, so all lands and waterways (surface and underground) safely receive, store, and release clean water for the good of all peoples, environments and natural resources of the Carson River Basin; to achieve this vision through community led and private/public partnerships for implementation of local and basin wide plans and projects.

Coming Soon: Residential Irrigation Survey Outreach Program



CWSD will be offering residential irrigation surveys within the Carson River Watershed to assist homeowners with methods of reducing outdoor water consumption. Homeowners can receive guidance about efficient practices which help reduce usage and expense. Due to a grant from the US Bureau of Reclamation, CWSD is able to offer this irrigation survey at no cost to residents.

The Residential Irrigation Survey will be performed by a representative of CWSD who will spend about two hours reviewing the components of each homeowner's irrigation system. This program is designed to reduce outdoor water waste and usage for residents, especially during peak summer months.

This outreach program is available from **May 1 through September 30.**

For more information on our program or to schedule an appointment, please contact Debbie Neddenriep at: (775) 887-1260 or debbie@cwsd.org. We look forward to working with you!

Don't Miss It!!! 2011 Carson River Coalition Watershed Forum

Please join us for the 2011 CARSON RIVER WATERSHED FORUM on March 22, 2011. This forum, hosted by the Carson Water Subconservancy District, will feature a full day of inspiring presentations on the topic of "growing a healthy watershed". The day will also include a question and answer period, an audience roundtable session, and Assemblyman Kelly Kite as a special luncheon guest speaker. CRC meetings are open to anyone and we hope you will join us. Register today!

- March 22, 2011, 8:30 AM – 4:30 PM
- State Capitol Building, Old Assembly Chambers
- No charge
- Lunch is included, but you must register!
- To register: Email genie@cwdsd.org or kathi@cwdsd.org or call 775-887-9005
- Registration Deadline: March 11, 2011

Thanks to this years sponsors: Western Nevada RC&D/NRCS, Nevada Division of Environmental Protection, U. S. Environmental Protection Agency, The Nature Conservancy, and Audubon's Society, Nevada Important Bird Areas Program. To learn more about the CRC, visit CWSD.org and click on "Our Watershed".

Regional Cooperation in the Carson River Watershed to be highlight of International Watershed Management Conference!

Some 60 million people depend upon the vast resources of the Lower Mekong River Basin which includes portions of Thailand, Laos, Cambodia, and Vietnam. In 2009, a meeting was held between Secretary of State Hilary Clinton and the Foreign Ministers of these countries. At this meeting, for the first time, the Ministers agreed to enhance cooperation in the areas of environmental, health, education and infrastructure development. To further these discussions the Mekong River Commission has organized an international conference in Chiang Mai, Thailand for March 9—11. The conference entitled "From Local Watershed Management to Integrated River Basin Management at National and Transboundary Levels" will bring together stakeholders from throughout the four countries to discuss how regional cooperation and the use of watershed management can help with the challenges in the area.



Don't find fish like that in the Carson River!



The Mekong Basin is the size of France and Germany combined!

CWSD Watershed Program Manager and Carson River Coalition Coordinator Genie Azad was invited by the U.S. State Department, U.S. Embassy in Thailand, and the U.S. Consultant in Chiang Mai to participate in the conference as the U.S. representative. She will be a keynote speaker at the conference in Chiang Mai. She will then travel to Bangkok and address a variety of groups including academia and civil society during her ten day stay in Thailand. Want to learn more? Join us for the Carson River Watershed Forum on March 22 to hear all about Genie's trip. Congratulations to everyone living and working in the Carson River Watershed that our efforts should be recognized on an international level!



Upcoming Special Events

Mark your Calendars for the 2011

2011 Carson River Coalition Watershed Forum

March 22, 2011, 8:30 am- 4:30 pm.
Contact Genie Azad to sign up at
887-9005 or genie@cwsd.org

Weed Warrior Training

May 3 - 4, 8:00 am—Noon
Contact Sue Donaldson at 784-4848

Get on the Bus!



May 16—17, 2011
8:30 am—4:30 pm

**FOR INFORMATION ON REGULARLY SCHEDULED
MEETINGS VISIT www.cwsd.org**



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